Jackson Alaska
Jan 1 / 83

Dear Brother,

We all join to you and yours in the compliments of the season, our circumstances have been such that it may appear I have been negligent in regard to writing to you and now it is barely possible for me to do so, as the work & anxiety of the Holydays with the worst cold I have contracted since in the Territory have about used me up so I am down with intermittent fever assuming a low Typhoid type I'm a trifle better today suppose I'll soon be O.K.

I send an abstract from the summing up of the carrying to this date do not

take the time to itemize.
There has been frequent effort
to make Skultka dissatisfied
with his compensation, in
October he complained that
Capt. Carroll laughed at him
in the presence of white men
and made him greatly ashamed
told him the Government
gave Dr. J. Wirls much money
to have the carrying done & they only
gave him a little of it &c. &c.
this is one Specimen
I know men who would
gladly carry for much less but
they are not so reliable nor so
energetic and might throw up
at any time. I give S.,
the privilege of carrying on
his own account and he often
makes enough to pay his
men by carrying boxes

parcels and passengers.

Should any accident occur, breaking a Canoe or the loss of men, I am expected to be responsible, in view of all the circumstances, uncertain waters, uncertain weather & uncertain natives, we have certainly been fortunate so far in making 18 trips in 18 months without any serious mishap or great delays.

"Father Metropoloki" writes he has been invited to go down and baptize the Hennegas and the Hydahs. The Catholics have also made, we learn, arrangements to send a priest among the natives of Prince of Wales Archipelago.

Many of our people think they are ready to be

baptized & become church members, if they were persuaded only to be baptized I suppose they would all be christians of that kind and no doubt such would please most of the traders &c best for obvious reasons.

Too long delay in church organization may not be wise we must not expect too much.

Some of the Caesan people say they are coming here to build houses next year.

One of their most intelligent men married here recently & expects to build a "whiteman house" next autumn

The work has been very hard this fall, there has been reaction & discontent, but we have passed the worst & are again on the rise. Fraternally J. Loomis Gould

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Hydah Mission
Jackson Alaska
Jan 2 - 83 -

Dear Brother:-

I was pleased to hear of your meeting your family, which must have been most gratifying after what you had endured in the separation.

If it is true that Gen. Eaton has resigned his Commissionership, I am very sorry for more than one reason.

The Holidays have passed quietly. Feasting and fun, but no body seen drunk in Jackson. Christmas day quiet as any Sabbath and the major part of the populace attended church. "Tree" Christmas eve a success tho' not bearing much fruit will be fruitful of good influence. School entertainment Christmas night very satisfactory. Mission family always wish to be remembered.

Yours in the work J. Loomis Gould

Fort Wrangel Jan 5 1885

Dear Dr. Jackson;

Your kind sympathetic letter rec'd. Many thanks for your sympathy.

Cousin Lyda McAvoy bids me thank you for your offer of a position but says that she has no notion of leaving Wrangel at present & when she does it will be to go East. She came especially to be with me. She says she is not dissatisfied with her work except that she — as all the ladies here — has been very much crowded & her health has suffered. I think of getting her the teacher's position & letting her attend

entirely to that.

Gen Shoie has gone to Washington & Col. Lewis Tender - who has been below for some time & come back by this boat is going by & return str to Washington also to press his claims for the governorship! Oakford is there now at the same business.

The failure of mails this str is a great disappointment.

We are observing the week of prayer & the signs are more promising for a revival than ever before. I rec'd three into the ch last Sab.

Kindest regards to Mrs Jackson & the other friends - not Mrs G. forms.

Our school is going on. Brother James & Leonie Zeda are teaching. But they have their hands full without that. Have you heard anything from the Board on the subject — any explanation why the promised teachers are not sent?

Tell Mr. McLeod that Skattka is not here yet. I will keep him until the str returns.

We have sent the record of arrival & departure of mails at least when I have been here. I will send duplicate returns by this mail.

Yours as ever in the work

S. Hall Young.

INTER-STATE EDUCATIONAL COMMISSION

ON FEDERAL AID TO EDUCATION.

Created by the Inter-State Educational Convention, composed of delegates appointed by the Governors of the various States, and held at Louisville, Ky., Sept. 19, 20, 21, 1883.

RESOLUTIONS.

Resolved, That this convention cordially approves the principle of giving Federal aid, to be distributed among the several States and Territories upon the basis of illiteracy; Provided, that such aid shall be distributed under State laws and by State authorities exclusively, but with proper guarantees for its faithful application.

Resolved, That a commission be appointed whose duty it shall be to memorialize Congress upon this subject, and to assist, in any manner which their judgment may approve, in securing the legislation necessary.

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Boston, Mass., Jan. 8 1885

My Dear Dr. Jackson:-

Yours of the 12th Dec. is at hand, and what a wonder that it only cost you two cents to send it all the way to Boston, and my reply will come to you as cheaply.

Blaine is defeated!!- Burchard's "Rum, Romanism and Rebellion" speech did it, or any one of a half dozen other causes. The fact is the nomination was unpopular at the East, and although Blaine made a splendid campaign, and was really

Elected, four days before the Election
Dual. it only required so slight an affair
as that infamous Speech of Fa Grant to
take off votes enough to change the whole
policy of the country. Now comes Cleveland
with the hungry Democracy at his heels.
He says he will stand for Reform. but
I fear it will be with a small r. It
will, unless he is "powerful strong in
the back-bone. We hope that Eaton
will stay in the Bureau, but nobody
knows yet. We shall work for him with
all our strength. I hope your prospects
will remain as before. William if I
can do anything for you in any way, have
seen none of Chase's letters to the Herald.
I do not know that he has written any.
I have not seen him since his return.
I am lecturing with Stereopticon on

Alaska to crowded houses. Have all I can do besides my business. In fact, I could make a business of it alone. I have 120 slides and a new two hour lecture of my own and a trait each. Everybody is interested. I opened the Course of the Y. M. C. A. Prov. last Friday eve. with a full house. Am to give three lectures in Boston this month. Wish I could come to Alaska next summer to make a running exploration. I want some good photographs of Eskimos. Sheldon Jackson School, pupils, Indians old and young, Missionaries, Chiefs, etc. etc. What can you do for me? Send me any good material you may have that will help me. I have two splendid slides

of you and Mrs. MacFarland. You are the heroes of my story.

My deep regards to Mr. Mackenzie, Mrs. M., & Rev. Mr. & Mrs. — and the school, especially your brilliant interpreter.

Can you send me his photograph, that of the Chief and others. I will place them in my slides. May not invite me a letter occasionally for the Journal. It will be high prize.

Rochette was not unfriendly to the missionaries. He told me privately that they were doing great good. He had a letter very ft. the missions on its grounds. Made some noise, but little harm was done. Crops had rain, and were convinced. Immediately circulated Shor pucklus. Writing not clearly.

Sincerely, D. W. Cochran

The Board of Home Missions

OF

The Presbyterian Church in the United States of America,

P. O. Box 1938.

23 Centre Street, New York, 1. 14. 1885.

Dear Bro. Jackson

Dr. Worrall of this city - 13th St. church has a band of young girls who have sent in $15. for your work in Sitka - They want a letter from you. Please write them care Dr. Worrall.

Yours truly

W. Kincaid

Mission Letters to.

Washington, D.C.
Jan. 17th '85

Dear Sir –

Permit me to thank you for the very beautiful basket you have sent my husband because I am the one most benefited by it! It is far too handsome for a mere waste basket, in his office, and I promptly promoted it to a place of honor in my parlor, where he will be allowed to admire it at a respectful distance. I think it really the most

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doing it, direct them to me, otherwise they go into the general "Newspaper mail" of a Congressman, and that is so very large that it is sometimes not all opened for many weeks together.

Sincerely your friend

Harriet W. Hawley

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beautiful basket I ever saw – and I thank you sincerely for your kindness in thus remembering us. I should have written you before, but for some unknown cause, I felt delayed – having but now arrived, more than a week after your letter – and I did not wish to make you anxious about its safety by thus keeping it non-arrival.

We take as much interest in Alaska and its welfare, as ever, and are very glad to hear encouraging reports. If you publish any pamphlets or articles, pray send them to us, under in

Jan 27. 85

Tues, 27. Donawak arrived this morn with a letter & bundle we were very glad to get the bundle also letters, but was very sorry to find that Donawak told you that lie (that we would not pay the Indians anything for carrying letters) & bundles, we have only got one mail since we came here and the Board is behind with our checks so we have had no change to pay those who have done favors of that kind, but have their names and have promised them as soon as we would get change we would pay them, more than this Donawak came 2 or 3 times and asked to take our letters to Sitka free as he had given him medicine, then he brought back a pack of lies, I'll tell you a few for sample. You told him

we were going to send them with another party

that - you were going to take all the
Hoonyah people to Sitka next - Spring,
2 that - you had Just - us here and
we would be here 5 years, 3 you laughed
the people & the children also, at the
idea of the Hoonyah people building
a church here, said you told him
you had 2 big boxes of gold at Sitka
and you was building a big
church that - the Hoonyah people
~~did not~~ ~~was~~ were not - going to build
as they would not - need any, ~~and~~
the Chief came down this morning
and a party of men followed
him to know whether these things
were so, wanted to know what - you
wrote, Donawak came before they came
and I detected him when he told
more one and I shut - ~~him~~ him up - told
him I knew he was lying and before
I finished talking the crowd came
with his lies, I only listened to a few
and flatly contradicted them the
Chief told Donawak last - night -
in council that - he was telling them
lies so far we are pleased with our
Chief Commealth I find him so far
very honorable, It - is perfect - ly
out - rageous the lies the people
make up and tell. I told the
people that - you was to wise and was
not - green enough to tell the indians
~~what~~ your business or send me word
through Indians by word of mouth
~~If~~ if you had any thing to tell these people
~~they~~ Had their council about these lies
that - Donawak brought - or rather the
effects of them, I told them I knew
you wanted a few children from
here and if any of them wanted to
have their children educated it would
be a good place to send them
you would write it to me

Hoonyah, Mission, Jan. 20, 1885

Rev. Sheldon. Jackson,
Dear Brother,
Very much obliged for calenders, papers & Matches which came in good time and order. I was very sorry I did not have the money to pay him. I offered him an order on Mr Bradys store but he refused to take it; I told him he would have to wait until I got it; and I would send it to him. Here is some of his lies he brought from Sitka, and told at a feast, [1] Dr Jackson said he was stronger than God.
[2] The Gunboat was coming out-

here in the Spring to take all the children to Sitka had the children and parents frightened and some crying about it. the chief Gunailth came down before service Sabbath morn to tell us, & contradicted it at once and assured them that their children would not be taken from them, and as some boys have been talking of going in & have been urging them to go and have spoken to some of the parents, & he said Mr Austin told him & was not a strong minister & am aware of that, but did not like these Indians to find it out in that way, & hope Sitka Jack who has just made us a visit lately will not be allowed to make us a visit soon again,

for if he does, and I can find any Law he will not run at large very long. He came to my house showed me his paper which stated he could make good jewelry and on Sabbath eve just before service he made a feast, tore blankets & calico with dancing & whiskey. I went to see what was going on and when I spoke to him about it he said he had a strong paper from the Gunboat Capt to make a feast and hurry back but I noticed he did not go for about 2 weeks. asked the people what they minded me for I was only pretending was telling them lies. Our Chief told him not to have the feast on Sabbath and some of the people hesitated to go

but he told them that the Sitka Indians had feasts on Sabbath. he and his 2 wives turned the town upside down with their lies and wickedness giving me impudence till I had to shut them up in it. The old saying the dog that will bring a bone will carry one away. We have three Policeman here appointed by the Gunboat Capt probably some of them will be going to Sitka soon to have their papers renewed some are very anxious about pay especially Dick he asked me to intercede for him (aside from our chief for he is a very unassuming man) . . . What I have seen of the other 2 their position is all they can stand without any remuneration. Has there been any regulations made by the new administration concerning the manufacturing or selling of Hootzinoo? With kind regards to your self and family also all the work-ers I remain Yours Respect. John. W. McFarland

San Francisco March 23 1850

Mr. Caldwell Fakland

Dear Sir

I have started several times this year at writing regarding the work yet finished. I must have sent you a report of some kind as an old chairman of some committee or commission or something of that kind since till now but it is lost my notes of proceedings and do not know even our duties in regard to that only say only so far as my field is concerned I have worked with

enclosed two letters addressed
to you, one from your
Mr Eaton of the board
& return them to Hinsdale
& I will ask the P.M. then
to send you mail at
first opportunity

We are in the new
building with the girls &
girls. Our School has
been broken up a considerable
since Christmas as Miss
Willard has been unable to
take charge of anything
owing to her having received
a gun cut in her right
hand which came near
depriving us of her altogether.
She is very much better
now. Miss Matthews has
charge of the housekeeping
department and will continue
in that position for the

that Prudentry recommended the board to send us more help in the shape of a man and his wife. I think now that a man could not be sent but we must have a teacher. Miss Matthews says she always has filled the part that she not has either been teaching. And it is easier to fill a teachers place than a good man and I will therefore ask the board Pald Dr Jackson to change the orders. Hereby do I plan above indicated we have our hands full I can not accomplish the work that must be done. I have not yet visited the upper villages and do not expect to some more

calls them as shown
enough here at least anything
'full'.

Our winter has not been
very severe, the far. in
Selous has been very light
& I think the thermometer
has not been down to zero
yet. A good deal of north
wind however. Wool goes
rather fast. A few nights
ago in a heavy gale our
boat broke her mooring
cable and came ashore on
the rocks. Will have a little
lot of boat building we
shall do some holes stand
through it. Tell me how you
are getting along in your desolate
Island. Kindest regards from all
to you all. Fraternally yours S. Villard

Hamco Jan 27: 1880.

Dr Jackson

Dear Sir

In mail came in in the care of a Mother Philip does better than Johnson so far. weight about 20# I think there is something the matter tho no w the milk is rather mixed and some times amazing devil now, mixing. I believe I forgot to tell you that at the last moment I was unable to get the trunk on the steamer for Elias Rankin so took the picture out & gave it to my Dowering Tabling-in what I was to do carefull

Did you receive it? The
steamship I did not
send as I had no time
the wind was blowing fearfully
I signaled the "Lucon" &
another off the sand beach
which she did & I landed
everything on there & brought it
down here in the [illegible]
I would have sent you a
package by the "Rizal" which
was at Pyramid Hill but
I did not learn the news
soon enough

I close my building act
& send it with Board this
mo. My part is $1663.15
I do not know what my
bill is. I have asked him
several times

I am going back that
the order of Presbytery concerning
our helpers exchanged [illegible]

I told you that we could manage to dispense with the man but that a woman was absolutely necessary - Well since Jan. Miss Matthews has taken charge of house keeping &c with Mrs Willard She has always liked that part better than the school. It is teaching but in a different line. I am going back for a new teacher (Privately not Miss Rankin) and I think a person for that position can be easier found than one for the position Miss Matthews is occupying You speak of our trading Miss Matthews for Miss Rankin NO we could not trade her for any body tradable

We were afraid that there would be trouble in the village today Some person

at the N. W. T. Co Cannery has accused an old man of witchcraft. He is I believe the brother of Klinahortz in Sitka a quiet old man he came down to our house in the night and asked if we would hide him should any of the people ~~wanted~~ come down to shoot him as we said we would. There has been no disturbance today I wish the man of war would call up this way more frequently the trouble comes from the upper village people

Mrs Willard is still doing slowly from her wound She has written a little for this mail. the drinking and

planning for the children
the severe pain in her hand
with the weakness on the
first month since. I
prevent her from writing any
thing except what is absolutely
necessary. As for the rest
of us we are well. We will
not need the interpreter
you spoke of — the two
that we have in training are
doing well. I have heard
nothing concerning the launch
The weather is about the same as
when Dick wrote, only
about 2 or 3 in. of snow on
the ground.

Kindest regards from
all to our friends in Sitka
Sincerely yours Eugene Stickland

Dear Mrs. Lathrop.

I have always
"Ask for your own
what the Lord wants you."
believe you found it.
and all is well.
I have I spoke of
the wife of Chilcott, it
never left my thoughts
and if I do leave here.
it will be to go home.
And now please don't
say anything that I have
written to anyone else
to you, to yourself. for
I would tell you of
anything that might
trouble me. sooner than
I would, to anyone else

that is anything
in comparison with the
my trouble. I suppose
you will tell your
self about the trouble
Mrs. Wright and Mrs
Tom's health. I will
not trespass any further
on your time. as
business you have plenty
to occupy it fully.
Please have Mr Hutchins
to write to me. I want
it worded so he can
stand off the wolf.
but I suppose it is very
different from living
in houses in the states.
I am so tired now. and
do not relish the business
with long letters. yours.

WCK

Fulton, Jan. 20, 1865

My dear Colonel -

Please pardon me! I am so interested in the work accomplished by Mrs. H. Packard & herself, I couldn't resist reaching your work - "Uncle" & my dear of my numerous sisters, desire to send their "birthday" wishes to be used in the boys school at Beaufort, where I learn you are stationed.

I should be pleased to hear from you if your duties have the time no doubt would awaken greater zeal in the cause, hearts here are much interested now.

At the request of the Ladies Miss. Circle here I presented some "Lines" (I dare not call it a poem) recounting

events connected with the purchase of Alaska & Mrs McFarland's & your own labors there, & thus in the preparation of the same was led to a wider knowledge & consequent interest in the work.

Enclosed the mite sent $2.36
may speed the work—

I remain very truly yours
Mrs J. W. Fahey,

Address—
Hillsdale, Mich.

[illegible]
[illegible]

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The Board of Home Missions
OF
The Presbyterian Church in the United States of America,

P. O. Box 1938. 23 Centre Street, New York, Jany 29 1885

Dear Dr Jackson

— you will see by the enclosed blank what we are endeavoring to learn.

In order to get at the total expenditures for the coming year we must know the individual needs. You will please send one or more of these blanks to each of the mission stations and have them carefully filled up in like manner as this sample. Then let them be returned to you in time for you to present them to the Presbytery or its Committee on H.M. Let them look over the individual cases and then as a whole, and when the total sum is seen let them prune the individual cases where possible. Please instruct those to whom the blanks are sent that these are not bids for them to ask for what may be needed, but for only what is actually needed and seems imperative.

After you have had returned to you all the blanks filled, please then to make out a

statement showing the whole matter in some such manner as follows.

Needs for the Coming Year

Stations	Buildings.	Improvements	Teachers	Incidentals.	Tuition.	Total.	Pres Reed's
Hoonyah	None	100.	1.000.	50.	-000-	1150.	1.150

Add the other stations statements in order under the above heads, then add them up as a whole. Then send us the statement and all the blanks. so that we may have them if possible by April 1st.

As there are but a few stations in Alaska if it will save much time. the filled blanks might be sent to us direct instead of being returned to you

Yours truly

C. C. Boyd

OFFICE OF

SUPERINTENDENT

Presbyterian Home Missions for the Northwest

OREGON, WASHINGTON, IDAHO, ALASKA.

P. O. BOX 82.

Salem, Oregon, Jan 26th 1885

Rev. Sheldon Jackson, D.D.

Dear Bro —

Your requisition came on time of course — I wish you would use the blanks printed for orders — I send you all supplies except 4 inch pipe — this was sent to New York and has not yet returned — as to the "Ram" — Have you any short turns or elbows in the pipe? If so it will not work — Make your turns on a long curve — I send galvanized pipe where I can — The enclosed letter from Dr. Kendall on Reports explains itself — I send Stoves for New Home — having heard nothing from N.Y. The new teacher (Davis) will sail next Steamer having missed this —

Faithfully —

[illegible]

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Clifton Springs

23 Centre Street, New York, Feb. 5th 1885

Rev. Sheldon Jackson D.D.—

Dear Sir & Brother,

I do not know whether this will find you — but write on a venture — I see by "papers" you have sent a number of things to New-Orleans Exposition. Now you yourself proposed we should have one (not quite so extensive) at Cincinnati next

Mean — Must have
this strength to
go to sink from
New-Orleans to Cin-
-cinnati. Terms in
detail can be made
later —

Yrs. very truly
F. E. H. Hoinesby

WILLARD HOME,
FOR
CHILCAT CHILDREN,
HAINES, ALASKA.

Feb. 12: 1880.

Mr Emerson
Wrangell

I have received by the mail [illegible] containing a check for $100.00 for Mail Carrier. Furs is about 100# this send. two sacks.

Philip says that Nelson is coming up here with sugar & to sell and if possible to collect $5-00 from me

We are all, in some ways well - Mrs Willard is recovering from her cut. Lizzie has been suffering for about a week past from a sore on her right arm. and our little Carrie from a bad neck

WILLARD HOME,
FOR
CHILCAT CHILDREN,
HAINES, ALASKA.

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They are all, with Fritz, in the school room going through their exercises.

We have school from 10–2 daily, that Kilisatheunis for about ½ an hour then lunch then some to work some to play. Our witch man has left this morning for Juneau. The napkin ring that I ordered for his birthday was made but so poorly made that I refused it. In Seattle I saw some of Indian work that was so far ahead of anything I have sent to New York. I sent it with an Alaska Quarterly Report. Now I will close for to-day.

Eugene S Willard

Alaska

Hoonyah Mission Feb. 19 1885

Rev. Sheldon, Jackson

Dear, Bro

Bro Gould sent me this mail the narrative of his mission that is all I have received yet Bro Willard wrote me a letter and speaks of his help; Through Post Masters or some ones neglect our Jan mail was not forwarded so we received it on the 16 of this month, I thought as so few of them came I would just send Bro Gould's and my own to you, have written a letter to send to Bro Willard

by the hand of an Indian who is going to Chilcat in a few days advising him to send his narrative to you at once for fear it would be to late. I will just inclose Bro G & W letters to you so you can see the help Bro Willard wants

Narrative of Hoonyah Mission.

We see signs of encouragement. Our services have been well attended and many listen with interest. During the week of Prayer some looked very serious and we felt God was with us in the presence of his Spirit. Some of the leaders in sin have taken a stand for the right while others have expressed a desire to do better,

These people seem to think and talk of nothing else but witch-craft. We have had three Indian Drs. here this winter and they worried the people a good deal and us also with their fool notions, they are true Simons indeed, the worst one went to Sitka sometime since, I dont want to wish anyone harm, but I dont think it would be a sin to wish he might get into some trouble at Sitka and would be caught and get his hair shorn off close to his head. Reports came a few days since from Bartlets Bay that a man and woman had been tied up for witches and starved to death accused of making some one sick by an Indian Dr belonging

he lives at Juneau

to the Auk tribe, the Chief and the other 2 Polic came down to report to me one evening, one of them had been over to our other village and learned it from his friends, it seems that it happened sometime before the Holidays, I told them it must be reported but they said the Indians would kill them should the Dr be hung; they said an Indian from there was going soon to Juneau that the Dr wanted all the Crows of this tribe to come to Juneau and he would give back the 20 blanket which he received for telling who the witch was.

when I saw how afraid they were to report, I told them to let me see the man from Bartlets Bay before he went to Juneau, I have not heard anything more since but think it pretty plausible, am keeping quiet ~~and~~ until I can find out to a certainty. I hope and pray that he will be caught and punished accordingly; as I know it would about put an end to the business in this part of Alaska. they also stated that a man had been tied up ~~at~~ and starved to death this winter at Killasnoo and no one knew it. We organized

a Temperance society here
and it has had some check
on the Whiskey. some indian
went over in the fall to the
other village and told the
people there to look do you
see that canoe coming it is
the Minister he is going to
arrest you all for making
Whiskey so they took their fixtures
for making Whiskey and ran
and hid them in the woods.
just after the week of prayer
one of our most earnest
and civil men fell suddenly
dead one morning from heart
disease while chopping wood.
caused quite an excitement.
we have had five deaths in
the village this winter and
all have been cremated. but
the subject is agitating and

several have asked me to see when they die that their friends do not burn them; one of the oldest woman took unwell a short time since and as they are always in a hurry and her desire was to be buried they made the box but she failed to gratify them and the Lord has spared her a little while longer; she seems to be very happy and really trying to trust in the Saviour. Our medicine and instruments has saved several lives this winter and some have said they would not believe anymore in the Indian Dr. although we have had many things to annoy us yet we are happy and contented ~~in~~

We needed be glad to hear
from you, address us by Junoon
and can see signs of encour-
-agement and have many
thin Reasons to thank a
kind Providence for the
rich benefits of his grace.
Glad to know we are remem-
-bered in your prayers and
thoughts. Every one spoke
of the Hoonyah people being
so quiet and good but I
find them as they are, not as
they seem, nor as some of
them tried to appear when
we first came. We are agree-
-ably disappointed in our Chief
we heard from some before he
came from fishery he was in for all
old fashion & but like him very much
Wife joins in love to yourself and wife
also workers. John. W. McFarland

Ans May 5-85

Murfreesboro, Tenn.
Feb. 20, 1885.

My dear Sis & Bro.:

Monteagle Assembly opens this year Aug. 4 and closes Aug. 28. Aug. 14, 15, 16 are set apart for Missions. Could you be with us in our meetings and deliver one or more lectures on Missions? We are anxious to make these Missionary days both interesting and profitable. The mountains are delightfully pleasant, and we will do all in our power to make your visit pleasant.

Let me hear from you without delay and upon what con-

ditions you will come,
if at all.

Yours truly
J. H. Warren.

Dr. Sheldon Jackson,

President.
JOHN HALL, D. D.
Secretaries.
H. KENDALL, D. D.
WM. C. ROBERTS, D. D.
O. D. EATON,
Treasurer.

BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

P. O. Box 1938. No. 23 Centre Street.

New-York, Feby 26 1885

Dear Dr Jackson

The grants to School account for Feby are -

Miss A. R. Kelsey Sitka - 500.

Sitka School Exps & freights 945.52

" " " 201.

Yours &c

O. D. Eaton

P. O. Box 11.

Fort Custer
Mont.

Feb. 27. 85

Rev Dr Jackson

Dear friend:

Your letter sent this this day came duly, but I got a long time to have come so far. I suppose you now begin to long for Spring. I understand Mrs. Jackson's careful strength for the two dear girls, how much I have been painted from my children. Yes for your child in this weight hour I am sure that there is nothing more to be desired in the way of health & good cheer, and good progress in studies, since in all the strands. We hope to have her with us a little in the Spring vacation. What you say of John needs my care is well. Clarke is far off

for I believe is faithful, &
that he could be useful there
& make his way better than in
the East, & have more weight
often in our crowded communities.
John is now nearly 25, he is
engaged to a most admirable girl
friend, a Presbyterian, nearly his
own age, a girl who would be
very useful any where. He is a
very quiet fellow & considerate of
managing people; he always makes
friends. In Virginia he had from
6 to 20 employees Indians,
Chesterfield Yankees under him &
managed all with ease. He is
a good telegrapher, & very strong
on Temperance. I believe he
could fill either office that you
[illegible]tion, usefully & would
be a help to the Mission. I
have written him to write you.

ed to Mr. Brady, what could Mr. Brady possibly have in a business way? Could you not tell me of some Senators or Representatives to whom you gave my "letter"? To whom my name would be familiar, & who might use influence to get John the Marshalship? I have lived such a Hermit's life I know so few, & those not the ones to be of use here - mostly strong Republicans, busy in the late Campaign as Real Est. Hartshorn &c -
I wish something could be done. John is anxious to get out of the Signal Corps now, & settle & make his fortune - & I want he should. I think it is much harder to manage for boys than for girls! Can you let me hear from you again on this subject. Tell me

for which purpose in ale the above
letter I made a work this year. We
will have our S.S Collection at Thy
Cousin's Port &c. about 30 or 40
dollars & some bundles of clothing
& anything else we can pick up.
I also up desire my young uncle
Daniel Hamilton, Church Creek
& some for San from &c. but
I shall have from 40 to 100
in Cash all told which shall
I do with it. I have been thinking
of Hannah again this year. How
are they coming on up there?
Regards to you & your wife from
all here & family.

Very Truly,

Julia McKeen Wright.

Hydah Mission
Jackson Alaska
Mar. 85

Dr. Jackson
Dear Sir,

The Lord is still good to us, & inspite of retrogrades and disappointments we see something to cheer and continually more reasons why we should persevere both for christianity & patriotic motives.

The Feb. mail did not get to Wrangel until the Steamer had gone below, altho it was but the 11 & the Schedule time is 13th Skultka arrived here at 12 ac 19th Mr. McL., said he wished to go up to Wrangel in time to catch the Steamer so I arranged

this not easily, that Skultka should start back around, Feb. 23d. When nearly ready to start Mr McL-, came to say Skultka would not carry a young man he (McL-) wished to go with him to Sitka. The young man has been, if he is not, a slave, the people were all determined the young man should not go, I did not think it at all wise that he should go but refrained from saying so as I had no wish to, in any way, interfere with Mr McL's arrangments, but had no thought they would permit the boy to go. Mr McL insisted that it was my duty to "see him out" in the matter, which I have no idea I could have done had I deemed it wise to attempt it.

If I had accomplished it I would have done more harm than good.

To satisfy Mr. I went, against my judgment, to see what they had to say in the matter, had heard but few words, when Mr. came in and said all this talk was of no use &c. when I concluded if he was doing it he should. He insisted I was deserting him encouraging slavery cringing to the natives &c. that I should take the mail from S—, &c. that he could not go in the canoe unless he could take whom & what he chose, that you directed him to use S— &c. I did what I thought you directed S—. to proceed with the mail, to carry Mr L—

if he wished to go.
Mr. McL—, was very angry & said
much I need not repeat.
I do not write any of this to
find fault with him. But to
say I exercised my judgment as
to duty in the matter, much
complaint comes from differ-
ent quarters and efforts are con-
tinually made to create dis-
satisfaction generally. It has been
intimated that I am speculating
in the matter Mr Mc. intimates
as much & complains that S—
makes charges against him, for carrying,
recently I have been paying
such out of my own pocket
& saying nothing of it. You
probably remember what
you directed me in regard to

the Carrying & Charges on Mission freight, I agreed with Skultka for a specified sum - allowing him to make what he might - for carrying aside from our agreement. I only trouble you with a plain Statement, - to say that I mean in it no complaint against Complainants, but if you have any Suggestions in the matter or management I am ready to listen to them, When ever I am derilict in duty or Err in judgment I am willing to listen. And if it is deemed best, to step down & out, But I must have some privilege of Conscience & Exercise of my own Convictions of wisdom & justice.

School is small as but few people are in town at present. it is the hunting season. attendance a good per ct. of those who are at home. nearly all the people able to walk were in Church on Sabbath.

One young man came to me today to say he had today determined to lead a new life, wished me to write his confession & let him have it as a reminder

This leaves us in fine health, hope it will find you & her A- entirely restored.

Wife & Sister join in kindest to you & yours

Respectfully

J. Loomis Gould

~~W. F. P.~~ ~~Copy.~~ March 2. 1885

In the District Court of the United States for the District of Alaska.

The President of the United States of America ,

To the Marshall of said District, or to his Deputy, Greeting,

You are hereby commanded to Subpoena

Dr. Sheldon Jackson, to be and appear in said Court at Sitka in said District forthwith on the 5th day of May, 1885, at 12 o'clock,--M., then and there to testify on behalf of the United States before the Grand Jury; and not to depart the Court without leave thereof, or of the District Attorney. And hereof fail not, and have you then and there this write with your doings endorsed thereon.

Witness the Judge of said District Court

and the seal of said Court hereunto affixed this 2d day of March

A. D., 1885.

(Signed). Andrew T. Lewis,

Clerk.

Seal .

W. F. D.

Copy.

In the District Court of the United States for the District of Alaska.

The President of the United States of America,

To the Marshall of said District, or to his Deputy, Greeting,

You are hereby commanded to Subpoena

Sheldon Jackson, D. D., to be and appear in said Court at Sitka in said District forthwith on 1st day of June, 1885, at o'clock, M., then and there to testify on behalf of the United States before the Grand Jury; and not to depart the Court without leave thereof, or of the District Attorney. And hereof fail not, and have you then and there this writ with your doings endorsed thereon.

Witness the Judge of said District Court and the seal of said Court hereunto affixed this day of

A. D., 18

(signed). Andrew T. Lewis.
Clerk.

Seal

No 18

~~W. F. P.~~

~~Copy~~.

In the United States District Court in and for the District of Alaska.

May term A. D. 1885.

United States	:	
vs.	:	Indictment.
Sheldon Jackson	:	

Sheldon Jackson is accused by the Grand Jury of the United States District of Alaska by this indictment of the crime of obstructing a road or highway committed as follows, the said Sheldon Jackson did on or about the first day of May A. D. 1885 in the United States District aforesaid unlawfully, illegally, willfully, maliciously and with malice obstruct a certain road commencing at the beach in the Town of Sitka and extending to the Public Grave Yard and Indian River by erecting thereon and in the gravel track thereof a picket fence contrary to the statue in such cases made and provided and in violation of Section 715 Chapter 10 of the General Laws of Oregon made applicable in the United States District of Alaska by an Act of Congress entitled an Act providing a Civil Government in Alaska approved May 17, A. D. 1884.

Dated at Sitka in the District of Alaska this second day of June A. D. 1885.

E. W. Haskett,

United States District Attorney,

District of Alaska.

N. A. Fuller,

Foreman of the Grand Jury.

COPY

No. 18

It is ordered that a Bench Warrant do issue and that the Defendent be admitted to Bail in the sum of $500,00 , and in default of bail that he be committed to the Common Jail, at Sitka, Alaska.

(Signed) Ward McAllister,

District Judge of Alaska.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the Indictment filed on the 3d day of june 1885 against Sheldon Jackson.

(signed) Andrew T. Lewis.

Filed in open Court and before the Grand Jury this 3d day of June 1885.

(signed) Andrew T. Lewis.
Clerk.

GRAND JURY

N.A.Fuller R.T.Harris A.Larianoff Geo. Nowell
C.F.Jones John Prior P.Kashavaroff O.Hollywood
M.Connelly Elick Tolishnook N.Haley John Hanlon
Edward Flannery John Larianoff P.Whittenkiller Chas. Decker
W.T.Webster F.Churnoff T.E.McFarland R.Dison.
David Ackerman John Haley Edward de Groff

WITNESSES

Lieut. Geo Barnett D.McKinnon N.Schimakoff S.Usher.
A.J.Davis, D.Sipiagon A.Larianoff

No 19

~~W. F. P.~~

~~Copy~~.

In the United States District Court in and for the District of Alaska.

May term A. D. 1885.

United States	:	
vs.	:	Indictment.
Sheldon Jackson	:	

Sheldon Jackson is accused by the Grand Jury of the United States District of Alaska by this indictment of the crime of obstructing a road or highway committed as follows, the said Sheldon Jackson, did, on or about the first day of May, A. D. 1885 in the United States District aforesaid unlawfully, illegally, will fully, maliciously and with malice obstruct a certain road commencing at the beach in the town of Sitka and extending to the Public Grave Yard by erecting thereon, and in the gravel track thereof a covered walk across said road contrary to the statute in such cases made and provided and in violation of Section 715 Chapter 10 of the General Laws of Oregon made applicable in the United States District of Alaska by an act of Congress entitled an act providing a Civil Government in Alaska approved May 17, A. D. 1884.

Dated at Sitka in the District of Alaska this Second day of June, A. D. 1885.

E. W. Haskett,

United States District Attorney,

District of Alaska.

N. A. Fuller,

Foreman of the Grand Jury.

COPY

No. 19.

It is ordered that A Bench Warrant do issue and that the Defendent be admitted to Bail in the sum $500,00 and in default of bail that he be committed to the Common Kail, at Sitka , Alaska.

(signed) Ward McAllister,

District Judge of Alaska.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the Indictment filed on the 3d day of June 1885 against Sheldon Jackson.

(signed) Andrew T. Lewis.

Filed in open Court and before the Grand Jury this 3d day of June 1885.

(signed Andrew T. Lewis.
Clerk.

GRAND JURY

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WITNESSES

Lieut. Geo. Barnett	D.McKinnon	N.Schimakoff	S.Usher.
A.J Davis	D.Sipiagon	A. Larianoff	

No 20

~~W. F. P.~~ ~~Copy.~~

In the United States District Court in and for the District of Alaska.
May term A. D. 1885.

United States	:	
vs.	:	Indictment.
Sheldon Jackson	:	

Sheldon Jackson is accused by the Grand Jury of the United States District of Alaska by this indictment of the crime of obstructing a road or highway committed as follows, the said Sheldon Jackson, did on or about the first day of May A. D. 1885 in the United States District aforesaid unlawfully, illegally, willfully, maliciously and with malice obstruct a certain road or highway known as the Old Russian Road, and more particularly known as Lincoln Street by erecting thereon a line of posts consisting of fifty or more contrary to the statute in such cases made and provided and in violation of Section 715 Chapter 10 of the General Laws of Oregon made applicable in the United States District of Alaska by an act of Congress entitled an Act providing a Civil Government in Alaska approved May 17, A. D. 1884.

Dated at Sitka in the District of Alaska this Second day of June A. D. 1885.

E. W. Haskett,

United States District Attorney,

District of Alaska.

(signed) N. A. Fuller,

Foreman of the Grand Jury.

COPY

No. 20

It is ordered that a Bench Warrant do issue and that the Defendent be admitted to Bail in the sum of $500,00(and in default of bail that he be committed to the Common Jail, at Sitka, Alaska.

(signed) Ward McAllister.

District Judge of Alaska.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the Indictment filed on the 3d day of June 1885 against Sheldon Jackson.

(signed) Andrew T. Lewis.

Filed in open Court and before the Grand Jury this 3d day of June 1885.

(signed) Andrew T. Lewis.
Clerk.

GRAND JURY

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WITNESSES

Lieut. Geo. Barnett	D. McKinnon	N.Schimakoff	S.Usher
A.J.Davis	D. Sipiagon	A.Larianoff	

No 21

~~W. F. P.~~

~~Copy~~.

In the United States District Court in and for the District of Alaska.

May term A. D. 1885.

United States	:	
vs.	:	Indictment.
Sheldon Jackson	:	

Sheldon Jackson is accused by the Grand Jury of the United States District of Alaska by this indictment of the crime of obstructing a road or highway committed as follows, the said Sheldon Jackson did on or about the first day of May A. D. 1885 in the United States District aforesaid unlawfully, illegally, willfully, maliciously and with malice obstruct a certain road commencing at the beach in the Town of Sitka and extending to the Public Grave Yard by erecting thereon, and in the gravel track thereof a wagon shed, or building contrary to the statute in such cases made and provided and in violation of Section 715 Chapter 10 of the General Laws of Oregon made applicable in the United States District of Alaska by an act of Congress entitled and act providing a Civil Government in Alaska, approved May 17, A. D. 1884.

Dated at Sitka in the District of Alaska this Second day of June A. D. 1885.

E. W. Haskett,

United States District Attorney,

District of Alaska.

N. A. Fuller,

Foreman of the Grand Jury.

COPY

No. 21

It is ordered that a Bench Warrant do issue and that the Defendent be admitted to Bail in the sum of $500.00, and in default of bail that he be committed to the Common Jail, at Sitka, Alaska.

(signed) Ward McAllister,

District Judge of Alaska.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the Indictment filed on the 3d day of June 1885 against Sheldon Jackson.

(signed Andrew T. Lewis.

Filed in open Court and before the Grand Jury this 3d day of June 1885.

(signed) Andrew T. Lewis.
Clerk.

GRAND JURY

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~~W. F. P.~~

~~Copy.~~

United States of America,

District of Alaska,

To the United States Marshall or any of his Deputies, Greeting,

An order having been made by me that Sheldon Jackson be required to enter into additional bond in the cases of the United States vs. Sheldon Jackson pending in the United States District Court of the District of Alaska.

Now therefore you are hereby commanded to arrest said Sheldon Jackson and bring him before me forthwith to be dealt with according to law.

Dated at Sitka, Alaska, Aug. 20, 1885.

(signed) Ward McAllister, Jr.,

District Judge for Alaska.

United States of America, District of Alaska.

I, M. C. Hillyer, United States Marshall in and for the District of Alaska, hereby certify and return that the within warrant came into my hands for service on the 20th day of August, A. D., 1885, and on the same day I served within named Sheldon Jackson and now have his body in Court.

(signed) M. C. Hillyer, U. S. Marshal,

(signed) By James Sullivan, Deputy U. S. Marshal..

In the United States District Court in
and for the District of Alaska
May term A.D. 1885

United States
vs
Sheldon Jackson

An indictment having been found on the 2d day of June A.D. 1885 in the United States District Court in & for the District of Alaska charging Sheldon Jackson with the crime of obstructing a certain road and he having duly admitted to bail in the sum of eight hundred dollars

The Sheldon Jackson as principal and

as sureties hereby undertake that the above named Sheldon Jackson shall appear & answer the charges above mentioned in whatever court it may be prosecuted & shall at all times render himself amenable to the orders & process of the court & if convicted shall appear for judgement & render himself in execution thereoff or if he fail to perform either of those conditions that he will pay to the Government

of the United States the said sum of eight hundred dollars

In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands & seals this 16th day of September A.D. 1885

(Seal)

(Seal)

(Seal)

Taken & acknowledged before me

United States
District of Alaska } S.S.

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~~W. F. P.~~ ~~Copy.~~

In the District Court of the United States for the District of Alaska.

At a term thereof begun and held at Sitka, (May Term) on the 5th day of October, 1885.

Present: the Honorable Edward J. Dawne, Judge, the following order was made and entered of record, to wit:

In the United States District Court for the District of Alaska.

The United States

vs.

Sheldon Jackson.

On Indictment for Obstructing Public Road.

On Indictments No. 19, 20, 21.

In these causes the Indictments are set aside and the defendant's bail exonerated upon motion of the United States District Attorney for the reason that the Indictments are, neither of them endorsed "A True Bill" and such endorsement signed by the foreman of the Grand Jury, as required by Sec. 6, Ch. 7, page 348, and applied by Sec. 115, Ch. X., page 355, Criminal Code of Oregon, upon Sec. 715, Ch. X, page 445 of which said Indictments are founded, and which omission has been held by the court as sufficient ground for dismissal in Case No. 18.

And the District Attorney asks to have it spread upon the record that he will not, of his own motion, nor, unless required to act upon the complaint of some party who shall feel aggrieved by the alleged obstruction, take further action in the premises, for the reasons

1st. The the Code of Oregon, Sec. 5, Ch. L, page 461 provides in express terms, that offenses defined in Section 715, under which these Indictments are found, shall be subject to the jurisdiction of Justices of the Peace, whose authority is conferred on the United States Commissioners in this District, under Section 5 of the Organic Act.

2d. That the known and well definied facts which constitute the alleged offense are not such as, in his opinion, would warrant a conviction by a trial jury-- the obstruction in one case being purely technical and not supported by reason for its application, and in others an alteration having been made which comes within the spirit of the Oregon law? (it's letter not being capable of being applied for want of

County Court machinery), in that it not only does not "Materially increase the distance, to the injury of the public" but in fact is in all respects "equal to the old for the convenience of travellers," and will be when completed, superior.

Which request is granted.

(Signed) Edward J. Dawne,

District Judge.

The United States of America.

District of Alaska. s. s.

I, Andrew T. Lewis, Clerk of the United States District Court for the District of Alaska, do hereby certify that the foregoing copy of an order of Court made on 5th day of October, 1885, of the May Term, Hon. Edward J. Dawne, Judge, has been by me compared with the original and that it is a correct transcript therefrom, and of the whole of wuch original, as the same appears of record on the Journal in my office and in my custody.

Intestimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Court at Sitka in said District this 5th day of October, 1885.

(Seal of Court).

Andrew T. Lewis,
Clerk.

Fort Wrangel, Alaska, March 4 188[illegible]

Rev. Sheldon Jackson D.D.

Dear Bro,

I send enclosed a bill of lading. The monthly reports of arrivals & departures of mails have been sent to the department & receipts acknowledged by last mail. I hope all is well & that work is at an end. The schedule for the Jackson route would better be changed again to meet the changed time of str. Fr. Sheldon. [illegible] not arrive until after the 4th. of June next.

M'Leod failed to arrive this month although expecting to do so. Some difficulty he had just before starting is the reason Sheldon gives. He may go to Sitka direct by canoe. Sheldon arrived [illegible] this time.

Have rec'd any communication. Affairs all quiet here. Natives moving to hunting places. [illegible] no Sheldon for a sufficient school.

Mrs F. & my love to Sheldon. All joins regards.

Faithfully S. H. Willard Young.

ans May 4.

Bethlehem Pa,
March 16/85

My dear Doctor Jackson,

Your letter of the 27th of January was duly received. I am obliged to you for the letter of introduction, addressed to Mr. Roberts of San Francisco, which letter I have given to Mr. Weinland.

The photographs I have sent to Dr. Morcrop, at Carlisle, as you desire.

As regards the attempt

to raise the money for forming the Mission, by an appeal to the Christian churches of the N.S., it has been a total and utter failure. I am sorry that we ever thought of such a thing; but under the circumstances it seemed natural. The only newspaper that has advocated the cause & urged the churches to give, is the "Christian Union". Dr. Prime, of the "N.Y. Observer" has never written a line editorially in

regard to the undertaking to the "Illustrated Christian Weekly," to whose editors Bishop Rinkle, of M.E., made a personal appeal, to publish an article illustrated with cuts taken from our photographs, declined to give the illustrations, but was willing to publish a short article. One of the Editors wrote a note to Bishop Rinkle, which I read, to the effect, that he was afraid causes much nearer home were being neglected for the sake of

Alaska! We have, long since, given up the idea of securing aid in this way. A clergyman of Reading offered to bring the cause before his people; when the time came, he threw back & said he found that there were too many other causes. The minister of the church in Harlem in which Mr. Weinland's wife was a S.S. teacher, urged him to give an illustrated lecture before his S.S. When Mr. Weinland appeared, there was scarcely any one present; that

minister himself to the S.S. Superintendent stand away; & the result was one dollar & a half above the expenses! And so on.

As a matter of course we cannot draw back. That would be a death blow to the mission cause in the American branch of our Church. Therefore, altho' we have not all the money in hand, we intend to venture, in the Lord's name, with the amount which we have.

By far the most serious difficulty is the want

of transportation. The Alaska Commercial Co. refuses to transport more than two passengers. Mr. Weinland & his young wife are about going in advance to San Francisco, in order to try & make arrangements, & as soon as this has been accomplished, the rest will follow, namely, John Kilbuck, the Lucian, & his wife, who was the teacher in our Mission School among the Indians, in Kansas, & John Jorgensen, a

Norwegian, the lay assistant in our Canada Mission, who has nobly offered to leave his family behind, & accompany the Missionary, staying with them one year, & helping them to build a Mission House & otherwise inaugurate the work.

We will be very glad indeed if you can, as you say you hope to do, secure us aid from the Government. We are in negotiations with the Legal Office

for a station on the Portsmouth=
rism. Altho' the remuneration
will be very small, only about
$100, it will be better than
nothing.

I am very glad to
hear of your success at
Sitka & pray the Lord to
bless the work abundantly.

I remain yours very
fraternally

Edmund de Schweinitz

Mrs. Mrs.
Weinland expects to
leave here next week
on the 24th inst.

Box 11. Mt Auburn P.O.

Iowa

Mar 3. 85

Rev S. Jackson D.D.

Dear Sir:

I wrote you the other evening in response to letters sent per Rainy. I shall write to Rev Mr Clearland, brother of the Iowa President to see if he could in getting the Marshalship of Alaska for our John. I would like much to have him come in his for such a country in which I am so interested, he comes both do & get good. John has written a book of his experiences in the U.S. Sig Corps. He is a bright fellow & writes a tale vividly. Of course as he is inexperienced he has had my help. He provided all the material & did about 1/2 the solid writing & I helped him out, &

yes and the pictures. We hope to get it out next Autumn.
Now with that stand on telling a story of yours, if John gets an office he is likely for 4 years he would collect his experiences & tell the tale of the expedition & Clarke, and of the first South. &c &c. & you all, he would have full swing to say what he saw & heard. I found myself a little interested in "Clarke" especially in having some things cut out of my Ms. & appending for fear of prolixity &c. I hate that word & believe I think there should be none among Patron workers.
Sue & Dr. Wm & I were well pleased that Thursday. We go to Parks lectures. The first course we have been able to attend. The lecture, rather perhaps

in the Indians, & he gave the Presbyterian Ch. full credit & much credit & then he spoke of your work as "tireless here & there" & we were well satisfied to hear what he said of you, & we wished a many other people could have heard it too. I have grown so weary of this long cold winter. I have thought much very kind & sympathetically of you & Mrs. J. Are you still coming East this summer? Will you try a second winter in Alaska. If you come East shall we not see you here or in Syracuse? We are glad to hear of the progress of the Church in Utah & hope the work will be progressing other the northern states have turned the under such less offering the formerly.

Very truly
C. [illegible] Knight

Tahlonna Cherokee co. Kan. 3rd 5, 85

Rev. Dr. Sheldon Jackson
Dear friend

I noticed an article in Council fire of Mar. 1884 of your lecture at Washington D.C. on Alaska, while reading it with much interest, all at once I was strongly impressed that I ought to go there as missionary some time not very far distant to labor among the people.
I am not a minister but have worked considerably among the Indians of the N. Ter. for the last 13 years, and my interest for this down trodden race grows stronger & stronger year after year.

I have spoken to a minister to accompany me. The time come that I should go, I had never thought of Alaska until I read the notice of your lecture, near one year ago, and that impression still remains with me, and I believe it would be right to make some inquiry about that country and the work that is needed to be done. In order that you may know what information I wish at present, I will ask a few questions —

Will you please answer as near as you can. 1. About what will it cost one to go there from Ill. (St. Louis or Kansas city or some other border city), 2. and how long does it take to go, 3. what kind of transportation, 4. what time of the year would open for practical work there: 5. What kind of

material, such as clothing and other articles suitable for missionary work, medicine &c. 6 What kind of climate is it, healthy or otherwise if unhealthy in what way; 7 Does it rain much in summer, and how in winter, 8 Is the country level or mountainous, 9 What kind of productions do they cultivate and raise. 10 Are the people willing and ready to hear the Word of God.

I would like to receive the ans to these few questions as near as you can, and other information that would be most suitable for me. and if you should feel like giving advice, I would be glad to receive it. I would like to hear from you soon.

Respectfully yours
C. A. Weaver

Sedalia Lincoln co, Missouri

Fort Tongass Alaska

March 16th 1885

Dear Brother in Christ

I know that you are my friend though I never saw you but I had known you through my wife & my friend in Wrangel I know that you con do any thing for me & know that the Board had done great deal for me & my wife & now I am working for them you dont know how hard times I had this Winter I have no house I had put up a small room to live in at presant yet we are just as happy as we Could be because we know that the Lord were very near to us now we received $125.00 from the Board for the first quarter which is not enough for my debts & the expense in Chilcat they didnot say any thing about it at all now friend if you have money on hand Please sent it so soon I can paid up my debts I would not write about it to the Board I will wait until I heard from you

in haste

from your Brother in ~~Chd~~ Christ

Francis Paul

P. O. Box 11, Mt Auburn
Mass.
Mar. 18, 85

Rev Jackson D.D.

Dear Sir:

I have written two or three times lately, but as some letter may be lost, I write again to tell you "What I know about the whole time", for I think that this is strictly private. But then while no one can doubt your perfect & cleared & consistent maintain his integrity of opinion against the mere clamoring crowd for the big office, that side he made against him, he is really sincere in the idea & intention not to remove office holders merely to make way for others. When a new man wants a place, the man in the place must first be removed for good cause.

While from this honorable position he may be absolutely forced by strong political combinations for big offices, for smaller offices the President will hang fast to his principles -

2. Where bad appointments were made by the last Administration the President will not be averse to having it shown, & where an official is shown to be incapable, dishonorable in opinions & public interest, he will be removed - & there is a solid sentiment at the White House against intemperate public officers.

3 Alaska has 2 strong backers at the White House, Rev. Wm H. & Miss Cleveland. They will act in a quiet way, but they will act & on the right side.

4. I have reason to think that Mr. Cleveland would be pleased

to take a good solid interest in Alaska, just so far as he could. If an effort is made to secure new officials, of a kind to aid the very best interests of Alaska, that attempt will no doubt succeed. I do not know at which department applications for removal (some stated) of present officials should be made, but I know no one need tell you any thing about Washington work. If such petition for change is sent in, & request made for any other especial appointments, it would be well to address Pres. Wm N Cleveland "Executive Mansion" at the same time for his aid - Also if you make use of such petition let me know. I think every effort should be made to keep Mr. Brady in - he knows about Alask & he

must be better than any one else.
Better not mention this letter to
any one - I thought you might
like to know the minister's view
a little -

As ever
Julie McNair Wright

Jackson Alaska 3/25/83

Dr/Bro. Jackson

As the trading post is to be removed I will need small coin, The mail matter is something behind can you bring or send me some coin. while Mr Z— traded here I could make change with him in tickets & get gold for checks. I send this care of Mr Wadhams so if you come in May, you can bring cash with you

Yours in the work

J. Loomis Gould